

A Guide to Learning at the Battlefield

Kennesaw Mountain
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Guided and Self-Guided Field Trips

When you visit Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield you have two options for your visit: a guided visit where you receive a program led by park staff or a self-guided visit where you lead your students on your own. You can choose the program that is right for your students; remember that you may choose only ONE guided program for your visit. Registration forms are [here](#). Guided programs are available on Mondays and Tuesdays only.

Guided Programs	Grade Level	Program Length	Curriculum Standard	Program Synopsis
Wee People Story Time	Pre-K through 3rd grade	30 minutes	<p>SSKH2 The student will identify important American symbols and explain their meaning.</p> <p>SSKH3 The student will correctly use words and phrases related to <i>chronology and time</i> to explain how things change.</p> <p>SS1H1 The student will read about and describe the life of historical figures in American history.</p> <p>SS1CG1 The student will describe how the historical figures in SS1H1a display positive character traits of fairness, respect for others, respect for the environment, conservation, courage, equality, tolerance, perseverance, and commitment.</p> <p>SS2CG3 The student will give examples of how the historical figures under study demonstrate the positive citizenship traits of honesty, dependability, liberty, trustworthiness, honor, civility, good sportsmanship, patience, and compassion.</p> <p>SS3CG1 The student will explain the importance of the basic principles that provide the foundation of a republican form of government.</p> <p>ELAKR6 The student gains meaning from orally presented text.</p>	Children can listen to a ranger or park volunteer read age-appropriate stories about the Civil War, patriotism and the environment.
Common Soldier Life	3rd grade and up	25 minutes	<p>SS3H2 The student will discuss the lives of Americans who expanded people's rights and freedoms in a democracy.</p> <p>SS5H1 The student will explain the causes, major events, and consequences of the Civil War.</p> <p>SS8H6 The student will analyze the impact of the Civil War and Reconstruction on Georgia.</p> <p>ELA6RC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.</p>	Costumed interpreters explain what life was like for the average Civil War soldier.
A Kid's Life in Atlanta	4th, 5th & 6th grades	45 minutes	<p>SS5CG4 The student will explain the meaning of "e pluribus unum" and the reason it is the motto of the United States.</p> <p>SS5H1 The student will explain the causes, major events, and consequences of the Civil War.</p> <p>ELA4LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.</p> <p>ELA6RC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.</p>	Based on the diary of Carrie Berry, a real 10-year old girl who lived through the Battle of Atlanta during the Civil War.
Museum "Touch Stuff" Program	5th & 6th grades ONLY	2 hours minimum; no more than 15-20 students maximum, NO EXCEPTIONS	<p>ELA6RC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.</p> <p>ELA6LSV2 The student listens to and views various forms of text and media in order to gather and share information, persuade others, and express and understand ideas. The student will select and critically analyze messages using rubrics as assessment tools.</p> <p>ELA6R1 The student demonstrates comprehension and shows evidence of a warranted and responsible explanation of a variety of literary and informational texts.</p>	<p>A unique way for students to learn Civil War history by "touching" historic artifacts: they act as museum curators, learning to describe objects, inspect and clean them, and handle them just as the professionals do.</p> <p>Students leave the program understanding what museums are and that the objects in them are history they can see! Includes a museum tour.</p>

Self-guided visits are available everyday of the week and they do not include guided programs. Those choosing guided programs may also include elements of the self-guided options for their students. If you are unable to visit on a Monday or Tuesday, you will need to choose the self-guided program option on your registration form.

Self-Guided Programs	Grade Level	Program Synopsis	Curriculum Standard
Historical Scavenger Hunt	4th - 8th grades	This 30-minute hunt takes kids through the museum and Visitor Center, engaging them through music, history, and art.	<p>SS5H1 The student will explain the causes, major events, and consequences of the Civil War.</p> <p>SS8E1 The student will give examples of the kinds of goods and services produced in Georgia in different historical periods.</p> <p>M4A1 Students will represent and interpret mathematical relationships in quantitative expressions.</p> <p>M5P1 Students will solve problems (using appropriate technology).</p> <p>M7D1 Students will pose questions, collect data, represent and analyze the data, and interpret results.</p> <p>M8P4 Students will make connections among mathematical ideas and to other disciplines.</p> <p>ELA4LSV1 The student participates in student-to-teacher, student-to-student, and group verbal interactions.</p> <p>ELA6R1 The student demonstrates comprehension and shows evidence of a warranted and responsible explanation of a variety of literary and informational texts.</p> <p>ELA6RC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.</p>
Park Film	3rd grade and up	An 18-minute film on the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain; provides excellent background information on the site's major historical event.	<p>ELA6LSV2 The student listens to and views various forms of text and media in order to gather and share information, persuade others, and express and understand ideas. The student will select and critically analyze messages using rubrics as assessment tools.</p>
"I Am a Soldier" Museum Tour	3rd grade and up	Kids are given the identity of a real soldier that fought at the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, learning about the Civil War from his perspective. At the end, they will find out if their soldier survived the War.	<p>SS5H1 The student will explain the causes, major events, and consequences of the Civil War.</p> <p>SS8H6 The student will analyze the impact of the Civil War and Reconstruction on Georgia.</p> <p>SS8E1 The student will give examples of the kinds of goods and services produced in Georgia in different historical periods.</p> <p>ELA6R1 The student demonstrates comprehension and shows evidence of a warranted and responsible explanation of a variety of literary and informational texts.</p> <p>ELA6RC3 The student acquires new vocabulary in each content area and uses it correctly.</p>